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## Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences – Small Entity

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated February 15, 2007, in which claims 33-44 were finally or twice rejected.

The fee (for a qualified small entity) for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1)), along with any necessary extension fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is provided through our online Credit Card Payment Form. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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